

The Testing of Julia Grant

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Sisters

READ THIS FIRST

Julia Grant's problem was one that a great many women have to face. She was jilted by the man she loved. And then just when she had tried to make something of the life Dan Carson had shattered, he came stealing back to her and asked her a second time to marry him. Julia felt that he needed her and she gave her promise, and then Doctor Norville, the head surgeon at the hospital where she was training, told her he loved her. Afraid of herself, Julia left the hospital and hurried her marriage, but in the meantime Lucy, Julia's younger sister, had fallen in love with Dan, and when Doctor Norville came to the house to see Julia, Lucy, hidden on the stairs, overheard their conversation.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

FOR several days now Dan had glori- ed in his independence, in his complete mastery over Julia. She had acceded quietly to his wishes, she was willing to do everything he said, in short she had become the same girl she had been long ago, but for the fact that she was no longer the same girl. Her little burst of temper that night after Doctor Norville had left, had amazed Dan. He put it down to the fact that Doctor Norville had brought back her hospital days to her and he resolved to keep her away from the influence of any of those people who might put ideas into her head. He simply wouldn't have it; that was all. He was marrying Julia and he would arrange her life, and anything that did not come under his personal approval would simply have to be ruled out.

It was not until he had left Julia and was walking home, that he happened to remember that he had not asked what Doctor Norville had come there for. This worried him for a moment, but he was too steeped in conceit to let it bother him long. He would ask Julia the next day and no doubt there would be nothing in it. How he hated these men who were quiet and top lofty, for it was so that he thought of Doctor Norville. But then, he reasoned, he had himself to thank for Julia's brief sojourn in the hospital, and although independence had somewhat changed her ideas he could change them back again once he had married her.

Once the front door had closed upon Dan, Julia hurriedly turned out the lights and ran upstairs. She slipped into the spare room and closed and locked the door. At last she was alone, at last she could be herself, she could think freely.

Her thoughts wound around in a circle, and reason as she would she could not understand one thing, Doctor Norville had come for her, he had said he would have her, and yet he had gone without a word, he had left her there. Why, why? Not that she would have broken her promise to Dan, she simply could not do that, but if she had had a chance to explain, for the first time in her life Julia felt a little bit ashamed of Dan. Never before had she experienced this feeling, but Dan had been so sure of himself, so almost overbearing in his manner. Oh, it was all awful and it would go on being awful to the end of the story.

Julia had been sitting limply in a chair, her hands locked together, her face full of misery when her eyes focused on a certain spot just before her. The knob of the door was being turned, and when the door did not open, Lucy's voice called, "Julia."

"Open the door." "I'm just getting into bed, dear." Julia called back. "Wait till tomorrow." "I have something to tell you," Lucy insisted. "I must speak to you."

Julia went over and turned the key and a moment later Lucy had come in and had closed the door behind her.

She moved and spoke softly, as their father and mother slept in the room just below, and Mrs. Grant was quite apt to hear the girls moving around and to come up and ask them why they did not go to bed. Mary, too, had been known to call out when awakened out of a sound sleep, and when Lucy had protested to her mother that she and Julia were too old to be spoken to that way, Mrs. Grant had always refused to interfere.

"Mary is not like an ordinary servant," she would return. "And if you make her angry she is apt to leave us in the lurch. There isn't another maid in the world who would put up with the work of this house as Mary does, although I don't tell her that. She is always good about waiting for her wages, too, and I am going to handle her with kid gloves."

Lucy looked at Julia closely, and Julia returned her glance. "Well, what is it?" Julia asked finally. "Who is this man Doctor Norville?" Lucy began.

Julia looked bewildered. "Why, where were you, you didn't meet him?"

"I met him at the hospital where I was training. He is a very good doctor, and he is very kind to the patients."

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"No, but I heard you together when he came tonight." Julia whitened. There was no mistaking Lucy's meaning. She evidently knew what she was talking about. "It doesn't matter where I was or how I happened to hear," Lucy went on. "But I heard enough to know that you are in love with this man, whoever he is." All of the softness had gone from Lucy's voice; it was hard, and if she had spoken louder it would have held a strained note quite foreign to it.

Julia spoke quietly, without visible excitement. "You had no right to listen to something that was not intended for your ears; it was dishonorable." "Dishonorable!" Lucy flung out. "Do you think it is honorable to marry one man when you are in love with another, do you? Do you think it is right to pretend that you love Dan when all the time you have been thinking of some one else?"

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The Upholstery Sale This opportune upholstery sale brings forth at low prices things that are needed right now in almost every household: **Curtains and window panels** **Curtain material** **Crotonnes of the better sort** **Cedar chests** **And useful remnants.** (Central)

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Men's Special Raincoats They are khaki color, green or brown tweed or Oxford gray cloth rubberized on the inside; all with cemented seams, convertible collars, strap wrists and deep pockets. Box coats are \$7.50, \$10.50 and \$13.50. Balmacans with belted backs are \$10.50. Double-breasted coats, belted all around, are \$13.50. (Gallery, Market)

Wonderfully Wide Choosing in Men's Neckties 50c, 65c and \$1 Hundreds of pleasing patterns in the season's good colors. Sturdy silks and silk mixtures in stripes, figures and plain colors are the large open-end, four-in-hand shapes. And they are unusually well-made ties, many with the lined neckbands which add much to their durability. It isn't a minute too soon to be choosing for Christmas, either! (Gallery, Market)

Bathrobe Blanketing in Pretty Patterns —floral and Indian patterns for men and women and nursery patterns for the kiddies' robes. There are all sorts of light and dark colorings, 32 inches wide, and 75c a yard. It's time to start Christmas robes. (Central)

Men's Sturdy Winter Shoes Special at \$5.65 Heavy tan leather shoes in blucher style are on sensible lasts with tips or plain toes in sizes 5 to 11, widths A to E. Special at \$6.40 Black leather shoes in blucher style with comfortable round toes have welted double soles for hard wear.

Shoes for Small Boys Special at \$4 Black leather shoes of durability and good appearance are in sizes 10 to 13½. **Boys' School Shoes** \$4 to \$6.90 a Pair The most durable black and tan leathers are used and the shoes are made in comfortable shapes with serviceable soles. (Gallery, Market)

Warm Things for Children **Drawer-leggins** Stockinet drawer-leggins in brown, black, navy or white are cozy warm all the way up to the waist—for children of 2 to 6 years. \$2 and \$3. Corduroy drawer-leggins in the same sizes are in navy, taupe, black and white. \$4. **Blankets** Pink or blue figured carriage blankets are \$1 to \$2. Double crib blankets are white with pink or blue borders. All of them have some wool in them, a larger percentage according to the price. \$3 to \$6. **Bathrobes** Warm plain-color eiderdown and figured blanket bathrobes in sizes 2 to 16 years are \$2.50 to \$4. (Central)

Women's Good Umbrellas \$2.50 The covers are of American taffeta (cotton) over paragon tempered steel frames. Many of the umbrellas have handles of plain or carved mission wood with white, black or amber-colored rings. Others have bakelite tops and silk cord loops. Each umbrella is neatly cased. **Children's Umbrellas \$1.50** Sturdy umbrellas of black cotton with handles for boys or girls are in sizes 18-inch to 24-inch. (Central)

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